### **EXHIBIT A**

Excerpt (Article 10.07) from Confirmed NECC Plan

### UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS EASTERN DIVISION

In re:

NEW ENGLAND COMPOUNDING PHARMACY, INC.,

Chapter 11

Case No. 12-19882-HJB

Debtor.

# THIRD AMENDED JOINT CHAPTER 11 PLAN OF NEW ENGLAND COMPOUNDING PHARMACY, INC.

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- Upon the Effective Date, all Persons or Entities shall be permanently barred, enjoined, and restrained from commencing, prosecuting, continuing or asserting, either derivatively or on behalf of themselves, in any court, arbitration proceeding, administrative agency, or other forum in the United States of America or elsewhere, any and all Claims released pursuant to Section 10.05 above or under the Shareholder Settlement Agreement, whether the Person or Entity had actual or constructive notice of the terms of the Shareholder Settlement Agreement, Plan or Confirmation Order or otherwise, except that this injunction shall not apply to the right of the acting Estate Representative to enforce the Substitute Lien and the obligations and the acting Estate Representative's rights under the Shareholder Settlement Agreement, the Escrow Agreement, the Plan, and the Confirmation Order.
- Injunction in Favor of the Other Contributing Parties. Except as to (iv) the rights and claims created or expressly preserved by this Plan, the Settlement Agreements, the Escrow Agreement and the Confirmation Order, upon the Effective Date, the Other Contributing Parties, including, without limitation, GDC, the Individual GDC Insureds and Preferred Mutual shall have and be entitled to an injunction forever barring and enjoining all Persons and/or Entities from asserting against the Other Contributing Parties any past, present and future rights, interests, obligations, claims, causes of action, NECC Claims, damages (including punitive damages), demands (including demands for contribution, indemnity or otherwise), liabilities, expenses, fees (including, but not limited to, attorneys' fees, expert fees, consulting fees and other professional fees) and costs of any kind or any type whatsoever, whether known or unknown, whether foreseen or unforeseen, whether contingent or actual, whether direct or indirect, liquidated or unliquidated, whether statutory or common law, whether asserted or unasserted and whether based on contract, negligence, bad faith, willful, wanton or malicious conduct, or any other theory in law or equity concerning, arising from or relating to any actual or alleged past, present or future act, omission, defect, incident, event or circumstance from the beginning of the world to the Effective Date, in any way relating to or in connection with (i) the Debtor, the Drugs or any and all products of and/or distributed by the Debtor, or (ii) the Debtor's estate, the Chapter 11 Case, the Plan, the Disclosure Statement, the Settlement Agreements and/or the Policies.

#### 10.07 Preservation of Certain Defenses Based Upon Fault or Comparative Fault

The release and injunction provisions of this Plan, specifically those in sections 10.05 and 10.06 of this Plan, shall not be deemed to abrogate any defense based upon comparative fault that may be available under applicable state law to Persons or Entities signatory to the Stipulations and Agreed Orders dated May 1, 2015 and May 4, 2105 [Chapter 11 Case Docket Nos. 1270 and 1278], or any supplements thereto, and named as defendants in lawsuits arising from the actual or alleged design, formulation, compounding, production, labeling, testing, marketing, advertising, supply, dispensing, sale, shipment, distribution or administration of injectable methylprednisolone acetate or any other drugs or products compounded, produced, sold or distributed by NECC. The release and injunction provisions shall not preclude any such Person or Entity from naming the Debtor and/or the Tort Trust, as successor in interest to claims against the Debtor and/or the applicable Non-Insurer Contributing Party(ies), as a party to the

applicable proceeding, for the sole purpose of apportioning liability or otherwise securing a reduction in liability on account of the Debtor's, such Non-Insurer Contributing Party(ies)'s, or the Tort Trust's, as successor in interest to claims against the Debtor and/or the applicable Non-Insurer Contributing Party(ies), fault or comparative fault, subject to and expressly conditioned on the satisfaction of the following conditions:

- 1. Neither Paul D. Moore, as the duly appointed Chapter 11 Trustee of NECC in the Bankruptcy Case or the Post-Confirmation Officer, nor any such Non-Insurer Contributing Party, nor the Tort Trustee shall be named as a party in any such proceeding.
- 2. Neither the Debtor, nor Paul D. Moore, as the duly appointed Chapter 11 Trustee of NECC in the Bankruptcy Case or the Post-Confirmation Officer, nor any such Non-Insurer Contributing Party, nor the Tort Trust, nor the Tort Trustee shall be required to enter an appearance in any such proceeding.
- 3. No judgment requiring the Debtor, Paul D. Moore, as the duly appointed Chapter 11 Trustee of NECC in the Bankruptcy Case or the Post-Confirmation Officer, any such Non-Insurer Contributing Party, the Tort Trust, or the Tort Trustee to pay a damages award will be sought or entered against NECC, any such Non-Insurer Contributing Party, Paul D. Moore as the duly appointed Chapter 11 Trustee of NECC in the above-captioned bankruptcy case or the Post-Confirmation Officer, the Tort Trust, or the Tort Trustee in any such proceeding, but, if otherwise permitted by applicable state law, an affirmative defense asserting the comparative fault of the Debtor or any such Non-Insurer Contributing Party, may be asserted.
- 4. So long as permitted by applicable state law, any allocation of fault to NECC or any such Non-Insurer Contributing Party shall only be for purposes of reducing such Person or Entity's potential liability pursuant to the principles of comparative fault, and shall not be given preclusive effect, nor any effect whatsoever, other than to reduce such Person or Entity's liability.
- 5. Such relief shall be solely to permit such Persons or Entities to assert and prove any right they may have to reduce their potential liability pursuant to the principles of comparative fault, and not to permit, or otherwise authorize, such Persons or Entities to pursue the prosecution of any claims for affirmative or other relief

against the Debtor, Paul D. Moore, as the duly appointed Chapter 11 Trustee of NECC in the Bankruptcy Case or the Post-Confirmation Officer, any such Non-Insurer Contributing Party, the Tort Trust, or the Tort Trustee, in such tort cases.

Further, the approval of the Plan and the releases and injunctions contained therein or entered pursuant thereto shall not be construed as precluding any Person or Entity from enforcing any judgment reduction, credit, or setoff rights otherwise available to it under applicable law for reduction of damages that may be assessed against any party not a Contributing Party or a Shareholder and Affiliate Released Party in connection with any lawsuit arising from the actual or alleged design, formulation, compounding, production, labeling, testing, marketing, advertising, supply, dispensing, sale, shipment, distribution or administration of injectable methylprednisolone acetate or any other drugs or products compounded, produced, sold or distributed by NECC.

- 10.08 Covenant Not to Sue. Except as set forth in Sections 10.04 and 10.05 of this Plan and except as to the rights and claims created or expressly preserved by this Plan, neither the Chapter 11 Trustee, the Estate Representative, the Debtor, the Tort Trustee nor any successor in interest will commence or prosecute any lawsuit, adversary proceeding or contested matter that includes a prayer for damages or for equitable relief against the Settling National Insurers or the Shareholders or Affiliate Released Parties relating to, concerning or arising from the (i) the Debtor, the Drugs or any and all products of and/or distributed by the Debtor, or (ii) the Debtor's estate, the Chapter 11 Case, this Plan, the Disclosure Statement, the Settlement Agreements and/or the Policies.
- 10.09 Covenant Not to Sue (Shareholder and Affiliate Released Parties). Each of Shareholder and Affiliate Released Parties covenants and agrees not to commence or continue against the Estate Parties any action or proceeding of any nature whatsoever with respect to claims released by the Shareholder and Affiliate Released Parties in Section 10.05 above and in the Settlement Agreements, and the Estate Parties covenant and agree not to commence or continue against the Shareholder and Affiliate Released Parties, any action or proceeding of any nature whatsoever with respect to Contributor and Affiliate Released Claims.
- **10.10** *Terms of Pre-Plan Injunction and Stays.* Unless otherwise provided in this Plan, the Confirmation Order or a separate order of the Bankruptcy Court, all injunctions or stays arising under or entered during the Chapter 11 Case under section 105 or 362 of the Bankruptcy Code, or otherwise under applicable law, and in existence on the Confirmation Date, shall remain in full force and effect until the later of the Effective Date and the date indicated in such applicable order.

## ARTICLE XI. RETENTION OF JURISDICTION

11.01 Jurisdiction of Bankruptcy Court. Except as otherwise explicitly set forth in this Plan or the Tort Trust Documents as to those matters which are to be considered and determined by the District Court pursuant to an order withdrawing the reference as to those matters, the